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The Panama Canal Bill.

A week ago last Friday the Senate of the United States, drawing from its own bursting storehouse of wisdom and scorning or fearing to share that monopoly with the House, emitted an amplification of the Monroe Doctrine.

That harmless if hectoring rodomontade was followed last Friday by the passage through the Senate, duly amended by its sages, of the Panama Canal bill. Students of superstition and the folklore of politics will hold that in each case the day was well chosen Believers in the uncurbed superintendroe Doctrine may hail the omen.

The United States in the proclamation of these potent, wise and reverend seigniors is the moral monitor and the physical protector of the Western Continent. It will defend the helpless-and so grateful!-innocence of our neighbors the "European" -please accent on the public credulity for the next propiecy. antepenult-Powers of darkness.

We have nothing to say against this high moral mission except that missionaries should themselves be moral.

The consideration of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty was the release of some States for the continuance of some other obligations of the Clayton-Bulwer treaty of 1850 whereby "neither the wer treaty of 1850 whereby "neither the powerful army, to keep up a semblance one nor the other." neither the United of independent existence. States nor Great Britain, "will ever obtain or maintain for itself any exclusive element seems lacking. With the colcontrol over the said ship canal," which, lapse of the Young Turks there appears "being open to citizens and subjects of to be immediate danger of a civil war the United States and Great Britain on struggle which instantly destroys the utilizing the subway and elevated railevery other state which is willing to dissolution of the empire itself. grant thereto such protection as the United States and Great Britain engage to afford."

The United States received as its consideration in the Hay-Pauncefote treaty the power of exclusive control. It now gars and Greeks will thereafter seek to proposes to keep the consideration received and take away the consideration

There are conceivable drawbacks this programme of take-and-not-give. reprisals in other canals, by tariffs and otherwise. From a still lingering belief in honor among nations, a still surviving faith that among them, as among men, honesty is the best policy, that the regrets and detests this peddlery, this groups. Thus the Eastern Question dishonest and no doubt puerile evasion or breaking of an interminable contract. The case of Great Britain is special, but in the eyes of all Europe, whereof as far as our unresponsive friends to the south are concerned the United States is the monitor and watchman in the western hemisphere, what figure does the United States make?

If the United States wishes to encourage its merchant marine, let it put its hands into its own pockets.

If the Panama Canal bill is frank dishonor abroad, it is rank class legislation and Bedlam political economy at home. It puts into the hands of the Interstate Commerce Commission the intolerable power, if such a power can exist in a Government still, for however long, subject to the Constitution, of deciding if the ownership by a railroad of a steamship line prejudices the public interests, so brilliant and supposedly just a man and, if the commission so decides, the as LLOYD GEORGE appears to be imbued steamship ownership must be given up; American ships "operated through of Great Britain in the part he assigns to be Panama Canal" must not be owned a railroad.

Pacific coast and in the East, having ious financial scheme in which the State, accepted too hastily the building of the Panama Canal as an honest means of extending American commerce, having that any plan to diminish pauperism and Algeria to Fez the Paris correspondent of sponsibilities and their opportunities, general good.

that the canal does not really connect tional burden of supporting them when

munication, under one management, 2 50 a so call good old GINERY TWICHELL, if the community—the medical profes-GINERY it was, president of the Boston sion. tions and breaking of journeys innumerable, could come to Philadelphia at primitive and tentative halting methods of eighty years ago, this is the wisdom of to-day.

tional enterprise is to be a means of at- class. It is not surprising therefore be the moral features of King Khakhi so far as it depends on the expansion of which most respectable practitioners visages of Cleopatra or the Ptolemies our commerce and the acquisition of indispensable markets, an injury to the insurance bill. In order, however, not prosperity of all.

demagogy.

Few questions of international polision than that which concerns the fate severe uncomplimentary strictures in of the Balkans. One generation of

Yet there is in the present situation in the Balkan Peninsula one novel cir- tice. It is adding injury to insult to dashing picture springs before us: cumstance which explains the growing establish a niggardly fee for medical Every child in the race of life engagements made by the United tinuing the integrity of that estate. The answer is plain: in the singular

In the present situation precisely this makers. between the Ottomans themselves, a foundation of European Balkan policy terms to the citizens and subjects of in the past and points toward a speedy

If the Turks fall into civil war it clear that in Macedonia and Albania the Christian races long in revolt against the Ottoman will be able to expel contending factions of Mohammedans. It s equally certain that these Serbs, Buljoin with the fraction of their races which are now independent. Such an fort would instantly involve Europe. because it would close the door to Ausrian desire to acquire Salonica, to Italian ambitions in Albania, and involve Russian design on Constantinople,

Again, in the Congress of Berlin there existed an approximate concert of Europe; to-day Europe is divided fairly evenly into two great alignments, the Triple Alliance and the Triple Entente word of a nation, like the word of a gen- and the rival purposes of Russia and tleman, is not to be broken. THE SUN Austria would inevitably involve both would promptly become, as the Moroccan dispute did, a menace to general European peace.

Exaggeration is an inevitable con comitant of Balkan crises. It is possible, perhaps probable, that Turkish quarrels will be patched up and the integrity of European Turkey preserved for a few more years. It is possible that European Powers may agree upon a joint policy of partition, either among themselves or among the Balkan States, but the new element in the situation supplied by the quarrels of the Turks themselves is not less worthy of mention and attention at the newest crisis.

The Doctors' Dilemma.

The English speaking peoples hav ong assumed that the doctor is a public altruist who may disregard his obligations to his family and to himself at all times in order that he may have the priv- war game from the centre of hostilities. ilege of serving the dear public. Even with this idea and demonstrates it by his autocratic treatment of the physicians them in the national insurance bill.

The latter aims to ameliorate the con-The great railroad companies on the dition of the working people by an ingenthe employer and employee bear a share. The bill was hailed with satisfaction by the "masses" because they thought ment millions of dollars in preparation contribute to the welfare of the bone the London Truth asserts that one immefor that presumed addition to their re- and sinew of the land must inure to the diate consequence would be to withdraw

and themselves obstructed, penalized, began to be grasped opposition deoutlawed. It seems that the Panama veloped in all quarters, even among its Canal. built at the charges of all, is to beneficiaries. Domestic servants were the parental attitude servants were respondent, a prompt opening of the the first to resent the parental attitude servants were respondent, a prompt opening of the sultans, from Tleman to of bundreds of thousands of share- of the Government; many agricultural Fez, is to be expected.

holders and taxpayers; that the national laborers also and employees of the mer- THE ROYAL PORTRAIT GALLERY. and cheap inevitable connection of a cantile establishments objected. These land and water route is to be broken; people realized that the bill would limit the number of employees if the additional that the canal door not really connect. the Atlantic and Pacific, but doctri- sick or out of work is imposed upon them. naires and demagogues of every party In fact such instances have already selves and their actions as "historic. been published. The most important Count Hiram of California said in his Seeing this aversion of the Washing- and organized opposition has come from sermon of acceptance: ton sages to the easiest and best com- a class of men who would be the last to oppose any measure for the ameliora- accorded me in the nation's history tofrom point to point of trade and popu- their time, energy and money to the tory in this land." In other words, lation, the ancients among us may re- helpless than any other individual in every Bull Moose is his own history

and Worcester Railroad in the days to which our Solomons of the stump would return. In Givery's prime, the plain return. In GINERY's prime, the plain munificent compensation of one dollar ram of California: people could go forty-four miles from per annum for medical services. The the Hudson River road and so leisurely to this town. Our great-grandfathers to this town. Our great-grandfathers sight of the fact that in the club the pa- wrote it." had the privilege of making their labori- tient must employ the club doctor, often under Andrew Jackson and under Monous and leisurely way to Paulus Hook, a man of inferior attainments; he loses roe? Elizabethtown. Trenton and by divaga- sight too of the fact that the beneficiaries hand? Or didn't they know that they of the clubs are examined before en- were "historic" in those tame days? And trance for their physical condition and if we can't recall the names of those are therefore selected lives, while this who were elected, what of the historic last. To go back, in principle, to that insurance bill would throw all kinds of figures who were defeated? But a Bull discontinuous and expensive system, people, men and women, into the doc- Moose has satisfied himself on or want of it; to abandon fruitful unity tor's clientele, and that besides the latter score, for, win or lose, he is at least of plan and ownership, to regress to the | would be twice as large according to cal- "historic." culations already made.

accept the niggardly provision of the Artist Prenderga to frustrate a scheme so beneficent What is the use of mincing words? to the working classes the doctors The Panama Canal bill is a measure have voted to accept a minimum comdamage. Very like the courts will employees whose income does not Southern swamps and rotten jungles. afford a refuge to the native victims be not restricted in his choice of physiof this masterpiece of the artists of cian, &c. So far from viewing this distinct: concession from a large and useful class with respectful attention Mr. ing Providence of the ever swelling Mon- The Latest Trouble in the Balkans. GEORGE intemperately characterized it as selfish and threatens to estabties have more completely exhausted lish a Government medical service, a their power to excite popular apprehen- course which has brought forth some

the House of Commons taught the world to expect "trouble in remains obdurate the result must be an equal start." the Balkans in the spring," and each an- a deterioration of medical practice, rehave always deprecated contract prac- tences, "true from first to last." pone any clash between rival clamaints | lar manner he would be driven from to the Turk's estate in Europe by con- office. Wherein lies the difference? Protected from outside invasion, there attitude of the public toward the phyhas remained enough solidarity among sician. In our country this finds exthe Ottomans, supported by a really pression in the disregard of obligations to the physicians and in the unjust discrimination against them by our law-

> Express and Freight in the City he is: Subways.

by the Public Service Commission for victory with any other Presidential roads in the night hours for the transportation of foodstuffs, merchandise and commodities that may be handled in small and reasonably light packages, has to commend it the fact that a reduction of the delivery costs should result in considerable savings to that much enduring individual the ultimate consumer. Experiments in the carrying of express matter on the surface railroads in Manhattan and The Bronx have tractor Flinn speak of "defeat. not been successful, but the street railways must operate under conditions entirely different from those encountered in the subsurface and clevated lines.

Horse drawn and motor vehicles are xpensive and unsatisfactory for long hauls, and the delivery systems of the wholesale and retail merchants of New York involve a most wasteful duplicato-day in another section of THE SUN. Much of this unnecessary expense, all of which is paid by the customer, could be avoided by the utilization of existing and projected railway lines for the transport of goods to convenient distribut-

ing stations. This extension of the usefulness of the municipal railway system could be accomplished without interfering in any degree with its primary task of passenger carrying, and, the lines being already in operation, at a cost scarcely worth reckoning. It would be profitable to the city in its actual cash return as well as in its saving to every resident of the town. As matters are now the expensive subway and elevated railroads neglect entirely a field of public service and source of revenue that should be cultivated for the benefit of

the whole community. The world is poorer, infinitely poorer because the "Danbury Newsman" is not alive to write an account of the present

Reference to the news columns of the Emporia Gazette supplies the saddening information that in the absence of Blanco BILL at Chicago Emporia has had a "car-

nival of crime. We presume the new style order will be "Move up roofward, please.

PINCHOT to lead one line .- Evening Post. We thought he belonged to the cash-

In explanation of the curious reluctance the Riffians who now keep the Spanish When, however, the details of the bill shut up in Melilla, and thus give the Spanfor Moorish territory. After the Franco-

ssion of "Historie" Figures Passes

Through Ecstatic Bullmoosia There has been a frequent tendenc on the part of the Bull Moose preachers and congregation to refer to them-

"I accept such a place as you have tion of distress and who give more of day, because again you are making hislikes him or not, and he is down for all time too.

Governor Johnson in the flush of his Boston to Worcester and stop; then they philanthropic Chancellor justifies him- own triumph, having just won out. could go on by the Western Railroad to self by claiming that this fee exceeds that wrote me a letter which I shall hand Albany and stop, and finally by way of paid by the workingmen's clubs. The on to my children and my children's

What schoolboy but knows off

What is infinitely more important Much private practice would be lost too by reason of a large number of the latter who have paid fair fees hith-In this golden age of social justice erto. Indeed this scheme would pau-and an awakened nation a mighty na-perize many of this self-respecting and thus in distant eras and epochs to tacking the property of individuals, and, that the British Medical Association, of will be as clear and distinct as the

> Artist Prendergast painted him "I present to you America's greatest statesman and

lionhearted citizen. Theodore Roosevelt." Particularly lionhearted with African lions, but a trifle of dishonor abroad and of domestic pensation of \$2.10 per annum for all shy of African voters and delegates in The next portrait is even more true

> to life and is equally impressive and "The great man, this great man, It is done in three colors for magazine

covers by Count Hiram. Here is one olor, a milk white: "It [the new creed] is a political creed that this great man preached even when he was in the White House, the great creed of equal opportunity, of a

fair deal for all human kind, of giv-European journalists after another has If the Chancellor of the Exchequer ing to every child in the race of life The great Bull Moose hushed his bell against the fell, encroaching designs of hual failure of the forecast has reduced dounding to the injury of the public while those historic words fell, ringing also. For this reason medical men like Prince Belvedere Beveridge's sen-The

apprehension of European statesmen, services. If the Chancellor were to Hitherto it has been possible to post- fix the price of meat and bread in a simi-"a gift." not the Constitution. Artist Hiram also does a slight sketch of himself in black and white

> "I come to tell you that I have enlisted for the war. Huckleberry Finn might ask: "Which war is that?"

Is the war of 1912 to take its historic rank beside those of 1776 and 1861? Count Hiram answers up, soldier that

"I would rather go down to defeat The project now under consideration with Theodore Roosevelt than to go to

was invited to lunch with King Khakhi: and over the walnuts and milk his Majesty is said to have hinted in his delicate manner that it was just except in regard to crooks, liars, cheats and pickpockets, as crusaders knew no such word in moral fights. He called Count Hiram's attention to the fact that he had never heard Crusader-Con-

MOVING TOWSER.

Municipal Authorities Inconsiderate Canine Peregrines.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir dog to the Pennsylvania station from his in Brooklyn. The simple answer is salking." I live far uptown, and not tion of plant and personnel, as is pointed of a hired auto fare register I just walk out in an article on this subject printed down to the station with my dog whenever I want to take him into the country for a day's shooting.

One day last season I had to get my trust setter to Flatbush avenue station, Brook lyn. I had, of course, to walk over the Bridge. When in Brooklyn I went to the office of the street car company to buy a permit to let my dog ride on the platform of a street car. I found that the com-pany had ceased issuing permits. So I continued my walk to the returned to town I had the pleasure of

Is there anything that can be done to help a poor fellow who has the misfortune to be fond of sport and likes to have his dogs near him? WEART WALEER. dogs near him? NEW YORK, August 10.

THREE A'S.

An Ancient but Ever Edifying Aneedote

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: In THE SUN of August 7 "L. S. L." of Scarsdale says that Mr. Aa (P. Vander), a publisher of Leyden, or some of his family, will be the first on the roll call of your gallery of

Mr. A. A. Adee, First Assistant Secretary of State at Washington, answered a call on of state at the telephone one day. The man at the other end of the wire did not catch the name clearly and asked: "Who are you?" The answer came: "I am A. A. Adee." Still not tting the name the first party said: "How to you spell it?" The reply started, "A. A. A. A. " "Oh! Go to hell," said the first voice. spells his name beginning with three A's," and he rang off.

AMOS A. ATERY. KOROMO, Ind., August 8.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sur. The na-tional spirit of dishonesty which pervades not only city government and large corporations has emonstrated by the United States Sen-European nations will do well in future to se to enter into treaties with a nation that is unreliable and sneaks out of her agreements as the United States has done. A EUBOPEAN (TRANK GOD!).

NEW YORK, August 8.

Verena's Municipal Pigeons. The municipality of verons has responsed the of appro-liras (£2) in acquiring grain for the pigeons of the of appro-liras (£2) in acquiring grain for the pigeons of the of approcity. Having thus become State supported, they are immune from the molestations of wanton destroyers, who will new be punishable by law.

THE CAMPAIGN. Daily Referendum on Politics and Po-

litical Themes. THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: Wilson's scholarly, statesmanlike speech of of Roosevelt seem jackassian by comparionate wisdom in modest garb and egotistle lunacy in red shirt and yellow

As for the overwhelming enthusiasm for ME," Bill Jones says he was driving down a wooded road the other day and hearing sky spattering shouts of "We want Teddy!" from a thousand throats he hitched and pushed his way through the underbrush to join the multitude. But after beating the bushes for ten minutes he "flushed only one lone little red headed rooster with double chin and four mouths.

A '56 REPUBLICAN. DECATUR, Ill., August 8.

Governor Wilson on the Tariff.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: In your editorial praising Governor Wilson's speech accepting the Democratic Presidential nomination you say "The 'con-stitutional' tariff, the tariff for revenue "The 'conwithout and consequently with the illustrious adverb, doesn't show its face in the speech." If that is so, what does this speech." If that is so, what does this mean, taken literally from the speech in Our own clear conviction Democrate is that in the last analysis the ernment.

How do Republicans fancy the charge made by Candidate Wilson to the effect adopted by the party have "not been a form, whereas were he honest means of setting up any equitable system of protection. They have been, on the conas if the sympathetic and superficial, observing only the Governor's literary style, may swallow the sugar coated pill of the bitter Democracy against which they have hitherto revolted. Honeyed words butter no Bourbon parsnips for those who

keep their tastes normal. Any observing man who will run his eve national, will see how many of them have conceived and are applied with reguhas always been the habit of Democratic conviction," however, to skip a cog when dealing with the practical facts of govern ment, instead of academi; and untried

PRILADELPHIA, August 10.

The Urbane Querist.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir. Democrat became a Bull Mooser would be NEW YORK, August 10

All Hall to Battle Bob. To THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: Vive JULES BEAUDREAU.

NEW YORK, August to Political Natural History.

to in Ellis Parker Butler's article on zoology in the Sunday papers of August McClure's Newspaper Syndicate)? woman suffrage is for the purpose of having

that then the campaign song will be

For the big bull moose And the little white hen. V. S. WEIGHT. NEWARE, N. J., August 10.

A Tar Heel Grammarian.

To THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: T plural of "Moone" is "Schmuss." II. SALMON. WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH, N. C., August 9.

"Hamlet" a Little Scratchell. TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: Ther is a divinity that guards our man,

CRESTER, N. Y., August 9.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: I note in THE SUN of August 6 that "Voter" sugranged that it will read "Vox Theodori, you There is an older Latin that, in its entirety, would seem to suggest appropriately the philosophy of the new Bull Moose party, namely, "Vox et præterea RANDOLPH WALKER. POINTE & Pic, P. Q., August 7.

"Anx Armes, Citoyens!"

All shoard for "Armageddon and the battle of the Lord"! We have got a mighty leader who sheathe the sword Until the hosts of Amalek fly shricking to their tents.

Or make "the army of the Lord" look just thunders of his pealing voice resound throughout the land.

The glint upon his milk white teeth shines out to beat the band: His policy's progressive, and aggressive But some of us may wonder, is he talking

Social justice" is his watchword, but you'll have to bear in mind That only his is genuine; accept no other

through his bat?

When his foes are all his captives every one So the wealthy malefactors now are shak ing in their shoes

All aboard for Armageddon, all ye All who feel persistent longing for some thing still unpossesse

The golden age is close at hand, its agent now is here. So jump aboard the band wagon and you may get a share! We behold in our great leader him who is

The one and only specimen, so boost him we'll march beneath his banner, filled with most ambitious he he on November 5 be knocked

over the ropes? GEORGE B. MOREWOOD.

To Prevent Man Killing. TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir! TRE

pressing the manufacture of pistols and revolvers is most admirable and should re Any such law would of course have to be national to be effective. sible objection would come from the manufacturers and the crooks WILLIAM L. BENEDICT.

The Price of Shoestrings.

my adviser. I see if it i of shoes for the strings seemed rather out of proportion to me, but if that is correct I shall tempting to explain them I have learned to Meats Are a Boon in Disguise submit. Otherwise I desire to exposiglate—kick.

Furthermore, I wish to announce that a silk atring wen't last half as long as the plain tutne of appropriate hue, and costs nearly three times as much. Besides, who knows whether they are ot? Thus are we ensiaved by fashion. NEW YORK, August 10.

The Club of Piewickists in a Curious HIGH PRICES HELD UP ABBREVIATING THE CLASSICS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: AD author, not an author of much renown but reeptance makes the riotous fulminations still an author, confided to me the other day f Roosevelt seem jackassian by compari- that he had compressed and shortened son; just the difference between dispas- one of Dickens's books and had furthermore offered his sacrilegious hodgepodge Dealers Lay Deficiency to Oil to a publisher, who promptly refused to have anything to do with it. This bowdlerizing strangulation of a classic emphasize the fact that there are many books that must stand by themselves. They cannot be dramatized, translated or abbreviated uccessfully. The motto that best fits OYSTER SUPPLY LIMITED

them is "i'v suis, i'v reste. I, remember my grandfather telling me of a French translation or rather a mad adaptation of "Pickwick." It was mothered by a Madame Eugénie Giboyet and entitled "Le Club de Pickwickistes, Roman Comique." Most of the dialogue was omitted, I believe, the whole being cominto a brochure. Snodgrass, Winsle and Tupman were made members of his Majesty King Louis XIII.'s corps of Musketeers. The author idealized the name of Snodgrass, thinking it signified at Co., dealers in oysters and clams at an English mountain. Sam Weller was broken up into three characters. Jingle supply of clams is very short. If it were developed into Buckingham, the Fat Boy into Fenton. Bardell into Milady wasn't so bad, and De Warden intelligently approaches Mr. Peter

as Magnus.
the I don't suppose Dickens recognized his safe and legitimate object in tariff own child, and I am certain his shade would saes, as of taxes of every other kind, is never consent to any bastard up to date due to the inactivity of our boards of to raise revenue for the support of the Gov- edition of any of his works. No one, I health. Something has got to be done Here you have it with "revenue," suppose, would think that these abbreviated about it, and if the authorities do not editions are compiled with any but a pecuniary ambition. The abbreviator may tell you it is far better in these rapid days for tell any one to read a classic in a condensed acknowledge his only idea would be found trary, a method of fostering special privi- publishers will consider such frauds on the intelligence of even this illiterate age for a moment, and that is but one of their many driven away. ARCHITECTONIC

WASHINGTON, D. C., August 10.

ON MISPRONUNCIATION. With a Little Side Excursion Into the

Mysteries of the Universe. THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: makes me shudder to think of the number six years. It is the same with the fish. of words I must mispronounce. I would Shad have been practically driven out lation rather than revenue the large idea not parade myself before you as an igno-in both the first and the last analysis. It rant person. In fact I should consider in shipping has had much to do with rant person. In fact I should myself a man of fair intelligence.

courage and concentration requisite for matter and the refuse from gasolens mastering the rules of pronunctation, and launches. quently, but not infrequently, mispro-nouncing even words of familiar use. I discover that all my life I have been going wrong even on familiar names of things. and then I am really shocked.

In a garden this morning I heard a lady lit to cut.

y: "Why, what a lovely gla-di-clus!" "Clams Do you know that that was like hitting me with a club? Exactly Gla-di-olus! right, for I looked it up in the dictionary and I had for all these many years been

calling it gladi-o-lus. To the Edition of The Sun-Sir: Who worry over it. But I shall do in this case man is allowed to destroy and the post spoing to be the "little white hen" referred as I have done in others similar, take care to man has to suffer. If the health authoriwhich I am likely to overdo a little at the start, seeking opportunity ticular case the next time I am in a garden anywhere I shall look around to see if I can find a gladiolus, and if I do find one, why. understand, to show that I know

So there you are. On the large subject of the universe I feel myself quite competent to speak ex cathedra; while as to various lesser things, as for example this matter of persons who on this showing would put out oward me a friendly hand and say, "Old man! Shake! GLADIOLUS.

GALVESTON, Tex., August 8. LEARNED AND MODEST IGNO-

RANCE. Parentage of a Familiar Quotation? TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir! What

s the prime and what the immediate origi of the expression "that learned and modest ignorance" which is, I forget the language ultimate and bright consummate flower of knowledge?

Does it come in English from Pacon? Does it come from Gibbon? Is there not an essay of Macaulay's in which the phrase Asking an accomplished and famous

esty of great knowledge, he declined, probably maliciously, to furnish the English had bought their supplies earlier in the version (apparently borrowed), but gave week and regulated their prices accordme these two great German ancestors of it: Kant sald: "Das Wissen des Nichtwissens ist das hoechste Wissen." truth credited to Goethe

What is it in English and what is the char ter and text of Goethe referred to? PHILADELPHIA, August 10. STUDENT.

UNDER THE REFERENDUM. ould large States Rule the Country and large Cities the State?

To the Editor of The Sun-Sir: Our fathers established a Senate with equal representation from each State for the possible purpose of establishing an equality between large and small States in order to protect the latter from the dominance and aggressions of the former. For could not the large States through the initiative, referendum and a majority vote override the protests from the more numerous but smaller States, even though the Senators from those smaller States had beaten the aggressive movement from the few larger States?

Again, would not that system when applied locally in States permit a few large states to rule absolutely, for could not the same process be applied to defeat an adverse vote in the State Senate, given by the votes from the Senators from small cities and the rural communities?

The cities are increasing in population at a far greater ratio than the rural counties. The vote of Chicago is about equal to that of the rest of Illimois. How long then will TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir:

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it be that if the Senatorial veto can be over turned by a majority vote, directly given, will fillinois retain the power of ruling against a majority in the city of Chicago. Is it not true if this majority vote were even now in operation that the borough of Manhattan and the city of Ruffalo could rule absolutely the State of New York?

I believe that those smaller and more numerous States that supplied the greatest numbers of delegates to that hurricane of hysteria at Chicago were paving the way for a dictatorship by the fewer larger States and cities.

Rollester, August 10.

ROCHESTER, August 10.

Frolic Bostonians. TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir:

THE SUN of August 8 a young person from Boston, who signs "J. M. G.," proposes the following method of "foiling the curious

I would suggest an improvement of the same TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUS—Sir: What ratio problem by shortening the process as follows should the price of a pair of shoestrings, or shoe (1) Write down where no one can see it the numbers if you prefer, bear to the price of the shoes ber of the month in which you were born; (2) multiple of the month in which you were born; (2) multiple of the month in which you were born; (2) multiple of the month in which you were born; (3) multiple of the month in which you were born; (4) multiple of the month in which you were born; (4) multiple of the month in which you were born; (5) multiple of the month in which you were born; (5) multiple of the month in which you were born; (6) multiple of the month in which you were born; (6) multiple of the month in which you were born; (7) multiple of the month in which you were born; (8) multiple of the month in which you were born; (8) multiple of the month in which you were born; (8) multiple of the month in which you were born; (9) multiple of the month in which you were born; (9) multiple of the month in which you were born; (9) multiple of the month in which you were born; (9) multiple of the month in which you were born; (9) multiple of the month in which you were born; (1) multiple of the month in which you were born; (1) multiple of the month in which you were born; (1) multiple of the month in which you were born; (1) multiple of the month in which you were born; (1) multiple of the month in which you were born; (1) multiple of the month in which you were born; (2) multiple of the month in which you were born; (3) multiple of the month in which you were born; (4) multiple of the month in which you were born; (4) multiple of the month in which you were born; (4) multiple of the month in which you were born; (4) multiple of the month in which you were born; (4) multiple of the month in which you were born; (4) multiple of the month in which you were born; (4) multiple of the month in which you were born; (4) multiple of the month in which you were born; (4) multiple of the m hey tie?

I am moved to this inquiry by the fact that not long ago I bought a pair of russet shoes, for the result 250. That will give you the desired not long ago I bought a pair of russet shoes, for the result 250. That will give you the desired which I paid \$2.50, marked down from \$4. Press answer with a much abbreviated process. It will ently it became necessary to renew the strings, give the number of the month in which you were or laces, and I was informed that I must have slik born and your age. Try it on your own age and laces, not strings, and, listening to my advisor. I see if it is not true. Will some one caplain the

As an old man I may say that before at-

true. I am tot years of age and was born in the twelfth month. If the young person the correct result.

BY SEA FOOD SHORTAGE

and Gasolene in the Water.

Clams Also Suffer From Pollytion and Inactivity of Health Boards.

"There are just about enough oysters powadays to supply the market." Fred Lemcke, manager for L. Murley & Co., dealers in oysters and clams at not for the clams that we get from Prince The translation of Mrs. Edward Island and the South there wouldn't be enough to go around.

"Talking about the scarcity of fish

oysters, clams and lobsters, did it ever strike you what is causing it? It is largely wake up soon it will be difficult to get a big enough quantity to supply our needs

"For years factories and other plants he would particularly oil plants, have been permitted to use rivers and bays for sewerage purposes, with the result that the waters have become so polluted that fish and shellfish have either died or have been

"Take the Hudson River and New York Day, for instance. When I was a boy it was the easiest thing in the world to go off Robbins Reef and make a catch of 150 pounds of lobsters in a short time. Now you couldn't catch a respectable It looking lobster there if you waited for in shipping has had much to do with It may seem a miserable confession to it, but the real cause of the trouble is the make, but I have never mustered up the oil from the Standard Oil plant, sewage

"You can't get clams down around Staten Island any more on account of the oil. Oveters and clams must have pure water, and if you do get them where the water has been polluted they are not

"Clams are scarce this season because of the severe weather of last winter. in some places froze to the bottom and the seeds were destroyed.

"It seems to me that something should be done to stop the further pollution of Well, you can't do anything about that, be done to stop the further pollution of what's past is gone, and you don't want to our waters. It's a case where the rich pronounce the word rightly in the future, ties would take this matter in hand and prevent the pollution of the waters in an I around the harbor of New York the time might come when it would be possible again to get a fair supply of fish, clams I shall say as we pass it, "Isn't that a fine &c., from near by. Of course the good gla-di-olus?" just sort of casual like, you old days could never be restored, but still things could be kept from getting worse

than they are at present "Oil killed oysters and clams in Flushing Bay twenty years ago. Some time pronunciation, why, h-mmm; h-amah, I ago the Canadian Government put a stop am likely at times to get the accent on the to the transplanting of seed clams tron wrong syllable. But, while there is really Prince Edward Island to American waters no valid excuse for this, it is consoling to and that has had a tendency to reduce the think that there must be at least a few supply because you know it takes about supply, because you know it takes about two and one half to three years to raise

a good sized clam for the murket. Back in the '80s we used to pay 90 cents a basket for clams and a basket contained from 500 to 800. Now they are worth \$3.5). We used to sell them for 25 conts a h in irs! and now we get 75 cents. Oysters in 1865 cost us from \$3 to \$1 per 1,000.

have to give \$5." Notwithstanding the increase in the wholesale price of oysters the price to: years has been 40 cents per solid quart.
While there are just about enough common to fill the demand herabout is understood that as soon as "oysters !

is understood that as soon as "oysters it in season," which will be on September I, the demand will increase and the dealers will have to hustle. Much of the supply comes from the dersey oystermen.

There was no appreciable change resterday in the retail price of beef. The Washington Market butchers said they had bought their supplies earlier in the many constants.

The Washington Market men, it is said. hope as soon as folks return from seashere and country resorts to increase the interest of the members of the Hou wives League in the subject of making personal visits to the markets for the pur-pose of getting their supplies. When the marketmen celebrate the centennial of the market in the week beginning October 8 they will probably see aside one day as "Housewives League Day" and will make a special effort to get the women to come to the market with their baskets. It is

The light of a real solution of the high cost of living in the report of the marke committee of the State commission to investigate that problem is so hidden under bushels of words and figures that if present is not easily discernible. sion criticises the small food retailers, no of them get a bare living, but for existing at all. It proposes to abolish them. It advocates "large retail units," whatever they may be. It ignores the real service rendered by the butcher and the groce It ignores the real service to the neighbors who throng their a public service maintains them. By 1's own assertion to remove them would deduct but "a bare living" for one family from an estire neighborhood's food costs. is not a big enough finding for an abre bodied

HIGH PRICES A BLESSING Divorces Will Decrease as Meat

of meat increases the number of divorces will decrease," said Dr. H. M. Hess of Chicago at an evangelistic meeting His subject was "Why High Prices of

"The eating of flesh," he said, "produces who proposed the above problem will apply it to me he will find that it does not give the correct result.

J. P. R.

WASBINGTON, D. C., August 16.

A quarrelsome disposition. As high process make greater demands upon the parameters book less meat will be eaten. As a result is milder man and a gentler we man will come. Both will be stronger and neither will bark or snart. a quarrelsome disposition

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